GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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REHABILITATION OF CHILDREN
Bhakta Shri Manoranjan

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is implementing any educational scheme for the children orphaned in Tsunami;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the financial assistance allocated and released to the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Administration;

(d) the details of utilization of fund by the Administration; and

(e) the measures taken/being taken by the Government for proper monitoring of utilization of funds ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A.FATMI)

(a) to (e): The Govt. is providing free education to the orphaned children and who would either be given technical training so that they can create self-employment after becoming adults or encouraged to pursue higher education. The State Govt. of Kerala have implemented a scheme for the sponsorship of the education expenses of the institutionalized children. For the age groups of 6-14 years and 14-18 years, alternative school facility, teaching and learning materials and uniforms are being provided. The Andaman & Nicobar Administration have identified children appearing in the Board Examination who need extra coaching. The children studying in class 10th & 12th have been evacuated from the remote areas to Govt. hostels in Port Blair. 32 orphan children in Pondicherry were provided financial assistance @ Rs.5400/- per child for continuing the school education for a period of one year.